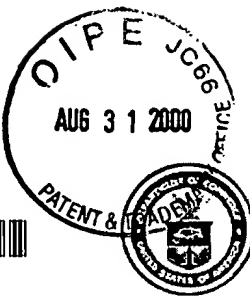


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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/518,790	03/03/2000	Mendel Hamrick	8285/337

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Date Mailed: 05/11/2000

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$1440.
  - \$504 for 28 total claims over 20.
  - \$936 for 12 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 2260.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

  
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Inventor(s) HAMRICK ET AL.			
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filing Date Granted (2 pages); Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (1 page); Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages); Form PTO-1449 (1 page); 7 U.S. Patents; Declaration for Parent Application (7 sets - 2 pages each); Power of Attorney (7 sets - 1 page each); Assignment (7 sets - 6 pages each); Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (1 page); Check-\$40.00 for Assignment Recordation Fee; Postcard Receipt.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ Petition for a two month extension of time.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$380.00 to cover the two month extension fee.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee		Rate	Add'l Fee
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					Total add'l fee	\$		total add'l fee	\$1,440.00

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$2,260.00 to cover the filing fee of \$690.00; the surcharge fee of \$130.00; and the additional claims fee of \$1,440.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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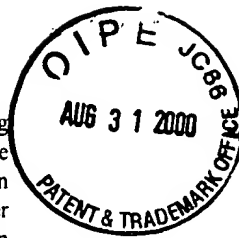
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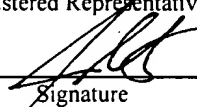
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:


In accordance with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted dated May 11, 2000, a copy of which is attached, enclosed herewith for filing are the following documents:

- ☒ Fully executed Declaration for Patent Application (7 sets - 2 pages each) and Power of Attorney (7 sets - 1 page each) for the above-referenced patent application.

- ☒ Applicant is:
- ☐ a small entity, verified statement is:
- ☐ attached
- ☐ already filed
- ☒ other than small entity
- ☒ 1 Check totaling \$2,260.00 for:
- ☒ Filing Fee of \$690.00.
- ☒ Surcharge of \$130.00.
- ☒ Additional Claim Fees of \$1,440.00.
- ☒ Assignment (7 sets - 6 pages each).
- ☒ 1 Check totaling \$40.00 for:
- ☒ Assignment Recordation Fee of \$40.00.
- ☒ Other: Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages); 7 U.S. Patents; Postcard Receipt.
- ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 28, 2000

  
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